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In the Claims:

Claim 1 (original). A mechanism for attaching a boot to a ski, the mechanism comprising structure for pivotly attaching a toe end portion of the boot to a ski and structure for height adjustably attaching a heel end portion of the boot to the ski, said height adjusting structure comprising a pair of members extendable from the heel end portion and the ski respectively and having surfaces respectively for facing each other, each of said members having a plurality of serrations in said respective surface for engaging complementary ones of said serrations in said surface of an other of said members at various heights of the heel end portion, and at least one fastener for connecting said members at various heights of the heel end portion.

Claim 2 (withdrawn and currently amended). A mechanism ~~according to claim 1 further comprising for attaching a boot to a ski, the mechanism comprising structure for pivotly attaching a toe end portion of the boot to a ski and structure for height adjustably attaching a heel end portion of the boot to the ski, said height adjusting structure comprising a pair of members extendable from the heel end portion and the ski respectively and having surfaces respectively for facing each other, each of said members having a plurality of serrations in said respective surface for engaging complementary ones of said serrations in said surface of an other of said members at various heights of the heel end portion, at least one fastener for connecting said members at various heights of the heel end portion, and a track on said heel end portion for slidably engaging an end portion of said member which is extendable from the heel end portion.~~

Claim 3 (original). A mechanism according to claim 1 further comprising plates on the boot and ski respectively to

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which said height adjusting structure is pivotly attached.

Claim 4 (original). A mechanism according to claim 3 further comprising a cut out in a rear end of said boot plate, and said member extendable from the heel end portion being pivotly attached in said cut out.

Claim 5 (original). A mechanism according to claim 3 further comprising a pivot for laterally adjustably tilting said boot plate and at least one lastener for fixing said boot plate at a laterally adjusted position.

Claim 6 (original). A mechanism according to claim 1 wherein each of said members has a width equal substantially to a width of the ski.

Claim 7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (canceled).

Claim 11 (canceled).

Claim 12 (currently amended). A mechanism ~~according to claim 1~~ comprising for attaching a boot to a ski, the mechanism comprising structure for pivotly attaching a toe end portion of the boot to a ski and structure for height adjustably attaching a heel end portion of the boot to the ski, said height adjusting structure comprising a pair of members extendable from the heel

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end portion and the ski respectively and having surfaces respectively for facing each other, each of said members having a plurality of serrations in said respective surface for engaging complementary ones of said serrations in said surface of an other of said members at various heights of the heel end portion, at least one fastener for connecting said members at various heights of the heel end portion, a plate having bindings for attachment of the boot thereto, and an extension member attachable to an end portion of said plate for increasing plate length.

Claim 13 (original). A mechanism according to claim 12 wherein said extension member is attached to a toe end portion of said plate.

Claim 14 (original). A mechanism according to claim 12 further comprising at least one cutout in said plate for releasing snow from between said plate and the ski.

Claim 15 (original). A mechanism according to claim 12 further comprising a pivot for laterally adjustably tilting said boot plate and at least one fastener for fixing said boot plate at a laterally adjusted position.

Claim 16 (previously presented). A mechanism according to claim 1 further comprising a replacement ground engaging brake portion for attachment to a shank of a ski brake after a ground engaging brake portion thereof has been cut off for providing a brake length commensurate with a different heel end portion height to which the heel end portion is adjusted.

Claim 17 (canceled).

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Claim 18 (canceled).

Claim 19 (canceled).

Claim 20 (canceled).

Claim 21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (canceled).

Claim 23 (canceled).